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FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

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SUBJ: GEN. SPINOLA ARRIVES BUENOS AIRES

1. FORMER PORTUGUESE PRESIDENT ANTONIO SPINOLA ARRIVED IN BUENOS AIRES AT 2:15 A.M. MAR 15 LOCAL TIME ABOARD AN IBERIAN AIRCRAFT. ACCORDING TO A US NEWSMAN WHO WAS PRESENT FOR SPINOLA'S ARRIVAL, HE WAS OFFERED LODGING AT THE AIRPORT HOTEL BUT CHOSE, ALONG WITH 14 COMPANIONS, TO REMAIN ABOARD THE PLANE.

2. SOURCE FURTHER SAID THAT ACCORDING TO SPINOLA PARTY, BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS INFORMED SPINOLA THAT TO BE ADMITTED TO BRAZIL THEY HAD TO FIRST APPLY FOR VISAS OUTSIDE BRAZIL. THOUGH NO LOCAL BRAZILIAN EMBASSY OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SEEN AT AIRPORT, SPINOLA CONTINUES TO REMAIN ABOARD PLANE AND HAS SAID HE WILL RETURN TO RIO LATER THIS AFTERNOON.

3. BASED ON LATE NIGHT MARCH 14 GOA STATEMENT THAT SPINOLA GIVEN PERMISSION TO "TRANSIT" ARGENTINA, ASSUMPTION HERE IS THAT SPINOLA WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN BUENOS AIRES.

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4. AS ABOVE BEING DRAFTED RADIO BULLETIN STATED THAT BRAZILIAN

EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES HAD ANNOUNCED THAT SPINOLA AND PARTY HAD
BEEN GRANTED POLITICAL ASYLUM IN BRAZIL.
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